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COUNTRY __Germany (Soviet Zone)__   REPORT NO.

TOPIC __Military Information from Weissenfels__

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1. On 17 October 1950 the barracks installations in Weissenfels
   (M 52/J 99) were again occupied. At about 9:30 a.m. about 400 men
   fell in in front of a building of the barracks on the northern
   side of Seelauerstrasse. Upon an order, 150 officers stepped for-
   ward. After a short time a high-ranking officer arrived [   ] 25X1
   [   ] and addressed the officers. After the speech the EM
   were dismissed and were later seen marching out of the installation,
   carrying intrenching tools and led by a band. After the troops had
   left there was still much activity in the billeting area. It was the
   impression that the troops, who wore red-bordered black epaulets
   and black-bordered red epaulets, included many recruits. About
   80 trucks/   25X1
   [   ] were seen in the billeting area. *

2. Activity in the barracks installation on the southern side of
   Seelauerstrasse had increased. Some barracks buildings were still
   under repair. The billeting area was not occupied to capacity. The
   troops observed there were trained soldiers, who wore red-bordered
   black epaulets with tank insignia. There was no motor traffic. Tanks
   were seen in an open garage. **

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* [   ] Comment. The report indicates that the components of the 57th
  Gds Mtz Rifle Div from Weissenfels had returned to their post from
  the Kindel maneuver area by 17 October 1950. Another report stated
  that elements of this division started leaving Eisenach by rail for
  their home stations on 7 October 1950. [   ]   25X1
25X1   ** [   ] Comment. According to a report [   ]   25X1
                  [only a rear detail was quartered in the installation. 25X1

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